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Hongkong, November 26, 1878.

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IMPERIAL TRACING CLOTH.
DESSERT, DINNER and BREAKFAST SERVICES.
TABLE GLASSWARE, of every Description.
FOLDING CHAIRS.
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CAUSTIC SODA, CANADIAN POTASH.
CARBOLIC ACID. CHLORYDE OF LIME. &c., &c., &c.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & CO.
Hongkong, November 16, 1878.

CHRISTMAS! CHRISTMAS!! CHRISTMAS!!!

ROSE & Co. have received, ex *Argyle*, *Feronia*, and FRENCH and ENGLISH MAILS,
A WELL-SELECTED STOCK,
Comprising:—
LADIES' TRIMMED and UNTRIMMED FRENCH BONNETS AND HATS.
FRENCH FLOWERS & FEATHERS.
FANCY TIES and SCARFS.
PLAIN and FANCY LINEN and LACE SETS.
NEW RIBBONS and LACES.
SUNSHADES in all the Newest Patterns.
FRENCH MANTLES and SHAWLS.
DRESS MATERIALS in all the Leading Shades, with VELVETEENS and TRIMMINGS to match.
BLACK and COLOURED SILKS, New Shades.
CHILDREN'S FANCY WOOL WRAPS, COSTUMES, and EMBROIDERED PELISSES, WOOL GAITERS, HOSIERY, &c.
LADIES' and CHILDREN'S BOOTS and SHOES.
GENTLEMEN'S SHIRTS, COLLARS, HOSIERY, SCARFS and TIES, HANDKERCHIEFS, TRAVELLING RUGS, &c.
BED and TABLE LINEN.
TAPESTRY and CRETONNE HANGINGS, in all the New Shades and Designs.
TABLE CLOTHS and COVERS, to match.
EIDER DOWN QUILTS.

A GOOD SELECTION of MECHANICAL and other TOYS and GAMES, including ROCKING and VELOCIPEDE HORSES.
CHILDREN'S FRENCH PERAMBULATORS,
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The CLEOPATRA, ROULETTE, MAGIC FISH, &c., &c. BONBON and CRACKERS, in Great Variety.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS and NEW YEARS' GIFTS for LADIES and GENTLEMEN, in the Latest Novelties and Inventions.
Hongkong, December 11, 1878. ja1

SAMMING
HAS JUST RECEIVED PER "OTTHERNER," AND
HAS FOR SALE—
NEW PATTERNS in CARPETS.
WINDOW CURTAINS of all kinds.
TABLE CLOTHS & TABLE NAPKINS,
HATS IN EVERY STYLE.
DRESS BOOTS, and SHOES.

88 and 90, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, December 11, 1878. ja11

For Sale.

CHRISTMAS STORES —AND— PRESENTS.

PLUM PUDDINGS.
CHRISTMAS CAKES.
MINCEMEAT.
SMYRNA FIGS.
ELVAS PLUMS.
CRYSTALLISED FRUITS.
DRAGEES.
French and English BONBONS.
CHOCOLATE for DESSERT.
ASSORTED COSAQUES,
TELEPHONE CRACKERS.
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French and English TOYS.
MECHANICAL TOYS.
DOLLS, in latest Parisian Costumes.
SWIMMING DOLLS.
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DANCING and WALKING DOLLS.
PUNCH and JUDY SHOW.
ROCKING HORSES.
MUSICAL BOXES.
TEA and DINNER SETS.
NOAH'S ARKS.
WHEELBARROWS.
GUNS and SWORDS.
SPADES and PAILS.
BARREL ORGANS.
French ALBUMS.
LADIES' DRESSING CASES.
GLOVE and HANDKERCHIEF BOXES.
WORK BASKETS and BOXES.
LADIES' COMPANIONS.
PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES.
CARD RECEIVERS.
STATUETTES.
Bohemian FLOWER VASES.
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SCENT CASES in Velvet and Crystal.
RUSSIA POCKET BOOKS.
MOROCCO CIGAR CASES.
Electro-Plated SCISSORS in Cases.
BIBLES.
PAINT BOXES, Fitted.
TOILET BOTTLES and VASES.
ANEROIDS.
CROCODILE SCENT CASES.
CIGAR BOXES.
WRITING DESKS.
MEERSCHAUM PIPES.
LATEST DESIGNS in Electro-Plated WARE.
MARK TWAIN'S SCRAP BOOKS.
PARTAGA'S HAVANA CIGARS.
&c., &c., &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, November 29, 1878.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

G. FALCONER & Co. beg to announce that, during DECEMBER and JANUARY Next, they will offer their Large and Magnificent Stock of JEWELLERY, WATCHES, CLOCKS, SILVER and ELECTRO-PLATE, &c., &c., *Considerably under the Usual Prices.*

Shortly expected from England, an Elegant ASSORTMENT of SILVER CUPS, suitable for REGATTA or RACE MEETINGS.
Hongkong, November 26, 1878. fe1

OFFICE OF THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that in consequence of Messrs OLYPHANT & Co. having SUSPENDED PAYMENT, the Board of Directors of the above Company, at a SPECIAL MEETING held at the Head Office TO-DAY, the 9th Instant, Appointed Mr J. BRADLEE SMITH as General Agent, *pro tem*, by whom all Business of the said Company will be transacted.

To Confirm the Action of the Board of Directors with Reference to the Appointment of Mr J. BRADLEE SMITH as General Agent of the Company, an Extraordinary MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Head Office of the Company, on MONDAY, the 13th January, 1879, at 3 o'Clock in the Afternoon, when an audited Statement of the Affairs of the Company will be submitted.

By Order of the Board,
WM. REINERS,
Chairman.
Hongkong, December 9, 1878. ja13

AFONG,
PHOTOGRAPHER,
by appointment, to
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, H. E. ADMIRAL ALFRED P. RYDER, AND TO H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA.

THE Spacious Premises being built especially for the production of Portraiture and fitted up so as to command the best light throughout all the Hours of the Day is Open from 8 o'Clock a.m. until 5 o'Clock p.m., under the personal Management of D. K. Griffith, who has introduced all the latest novelties.

ENLARGEMENTS
AND
REDUCTIONS.
In a Superior Style at Moderate Charges.
STUDIO, QUEEN'S ROAD,
Nearly opposite The Hongkong Hotel.
Hongkong, September 19, 1878.

Intimations.

W. KERR TAYLOR,
HOUSE AND SHIP PAINTER, DECORATOR.
—o—
GLASS EMBOSSING AND GILDING.
No. 8, *Lyndhurst Terrace,*
HONGKONG.
December 9, 1878. ja9

MOORE & Co.,
"VARIETY STORE,"
NEWS AGENTS AND TOBACCONISTS.
No. 42, *Queen's Road Central.*
Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

WONG CHIU,
PHOTOGRAPHER,
No. 84, *Queen's Road*, HONGKONG.
(Opposite the P. & O. Co.)

CHINESE VIEWS
FOR SALE AT MODERATE PRICE.
December 11, 1878. ja11

CONSULADO DE ESPAÑA EN HONGKONG.

SE saca á Pública Licitacion la LIMPIEZA, PINTURA DE FONDOS y algunas pequeñas REPARACIONES que son necessarias en el Trasporte de Guerra Español *"Patiño."* Los que deseen hacer Proposiciones pueden enterarse del Pliego de Condiciones que se halla en este Consulado, en cuyo local tendrá lugar la Subasta el LUNES, 16 del Corriente, á las 12 del dia.
Hongkong, 11 de Deciembre de 1878.
El Consul,
A. MENCARINI.
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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction,
ON
FRIDAY,
the 20th December, 1878, at FU ON HONG, Honam, at 12 o'Clock, (unless previously disposed of by Private Sale),—
The Whole PLANT and MACHINERY of the CANTON COTTON YARN MILL, Comprising ENGINE and BOILER SHAFTING, 12 CARDS, 12 SPINNING FRAMES, GIN, OPENER, PICKER, &c., &c., &c.; besides a Quantity of TOOLS, TURNING LATHE and HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

For further Particulars, apply to the Undersigned, or to Messrs RUSSELL & Co.

TERMS OF SALE.—Half Cash on fall of the hammer; the Balance before delivery.

All Lots with all faults and errors of description to be at the Purchaser's risk at fall of the hammer and to be removed within one week after the Sale.

A. F. DO ROZARIO,
Auctioneer.
Canton, December 11, 1878. d18

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from Messrs. BIRLEY & Co. to sell by Public Auction, by Order of the Mortgagees, on or about the 20TH JANUARY, 1879, the 1st Class IRON SCREW STEAMSHIP
"AMERICA,"
of 563 Tons Net Register, Built in 1873 by Messrs. J. and R. SWAN, of Dumbarton, and Engined by Messrs. TOD and McGREGOR, of Glasgow, with Compound Vertical Direct-Acting Surface-Condensing Engines of 90 Horse-Power (nominal), working up to 450 H.-P. effectual; Consumption of Coal (Cardiff), about 8 Tons; Speed, about 8 Knots; Capacity of Bunkers, 180 Tons; Diameter of Cylinders, 25 and 48 inches; Boiler Multitubular; Length 210 feet 3 in.; Breadth, extreme, 26 feet 7 in.; Depth of Hold, Tonnage Deck to Ceiling, 20 feet 9½ in.; Spar Deck, Deck to Deck, 6 feet 7 in.; Draft, light, 9 feet.; loaded, 17 feet.; D. W. Capacity, including Bunkers, 1,100 Tons, or 16,500 Piculs exclusive of Bunkers; Class. Lloyds 90 A1; Water Ballast; 'Tween Decks laid; 3 Steam Winches, and HARFIELD'S Patent Windlass; Saloon amidships for 10 Cabin Passengers and Cabin aft. for 3. Boilers retubed in Hongkong in June, and the Hull and Machinery now in first-class order.

Spare Engine Gear and Coal to be SOLD SEPARATELY.

For further Particulars, apply to Messrs. BIRLEY & Co., or the AUCTIONEERS, where Inventory and Plan of the Vessel can be seen.

TERMS OF SALE.—Half Cash on fall of the hammer. The Balance on completion of Transfer, expenses of which are to be borne by the Purchaser. The Ship and Inventory, with all faults and errors of description, to be at the Purchaser's risk at fall of the hammer.

HUGHES & LEGGE,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, November 18, 1878. ja20

SUBMARINE DIVING.

CAPTAIN W. CLARK has all the Necessary Appliances for SALVAGING OPERATIONS, and is prepared to undertake Contracts to work at Wrecks to the Depth of 20 Fathoms.

For particulars as to terms, &c., apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, December 9, 1878. ja9

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR MANILA.
The Steamship
"ESMERALDA,"
Capt. CULLEN, will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 14th Instant, at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, December 11, 1878. de14

FOR HOIHOW AND HAIPHONG.
The Steamship
"ATALANTA,"
Captain H. PETERSEN, will be despatched as above at 6 a.m. on SUNDAY, the 15th Instant, instead of as previously notified.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, December 11, 1878. de15

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
The Steamer
"ARRATOON APCAR,"
Captain A. B. MACTAVISH, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 17th Instant, at 3 o'clock p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 9, 1878. de17

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.
The Company's Steamship
"SINDH,"
Commandant BRUNET, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.
L. HENNEQUIN,
Actg. Agent.
Hongkong, December 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.
The Company's Steamship
"TANAIS,"
Commandant DE LA MARSELLE, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.
L. HENNEQUIN,
Actg. Agent.
Hongkong, December 6, 1878.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
The Steamship
"MORAY,"
Captain BUTCHER, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 17th Instant, at 3 o'clock p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, December 9, 1878. de17

FOR LONDON,
CALLING AT SINGAPORE & COLOMBO.
The Steamship
"GLENEARN,"
Captain GASSON, expected here on the 14th Instant, will have quick despatch as above.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, December 6, 1878.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR MELBOURNE & DUNEDIN (N.Z.)
The British Barque
"HOTSPUR,"
Capt. SHAW, will have a quick despatch for the above Ports.
For Freight, apply to
ROZARIO & Co.
Hongkong, November 11, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The *A* 1 British Ship
"MIN-Y-DON,"
Captain LESLIE, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November 26, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.
The *A* 1 British Bark
"MONETA,"
Capt. BISSEE, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November 26, 1878. de26

FOR NEW YORK.
The *A* 1 American Bark
"AMY TURNER,"
Captain NEWELL, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, November 26, 1878. de26

FOR NEW YORK.
The American Ship
"FLEETWING,"
GUEST, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, December 3, 1878.

FOR LONDON.
The *A* 1 British Bark
"MERCURY,"
D. THOMAS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, December 3, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.
The *A* 1 American Ship
"MELROSE,"
PLUMER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, December 2, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO,
The *A* 1 German Bark
"NIAGARA,"
PAULSEN, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, November 2, 1878.

FOR HAMBURG.
The 3/3 L H American Bark
"DIRIGO,"
STAPLES, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, July 30, 1878.

Entertainments.

AMATEUR CONCERT.

ST. ANDREW'S HALL.

THIS EVENING,

(THURSDAY), the 12th December.

IN AID OF THE SUFFERERS BY THE CITY OF GLASGOW BANK FAILURE.

PROGRAMME:

PART I.

No. 1.—Overture, "Egmont," L. van Beethoven. Two Pianos (8 hands).
No. 2.—"To Anthea," J. L. Hatton. Solo—Baritone.
No. 3.—Allegro Appassionato, Op. 92, R. Schumann. (Arranged for Two Pianos).
No. 4.—"Fiorina," Cavatina, Pedrotti. Solo—Soprano.

PART II.

No. 5.—Overture, "Ruy Blas," F. Mendelssohn. Two Pianos (8 hands).
No. 6.—"La Notte," Mililotti. Duettino—Soprano & Baritone.
No. 7.—Rondo, Op. 62, C. M. von Weber. Solo—Pianoforte.
No. 8.—"Das Herz am Rhein," Wilhelm Hill. Solo—Basso.
No. 9.—"L'Estasi," Valse, Arditi. Solo—Soprano.

Doors open at 8.30; Concert to commence at 9 o'clock precisely.

TICKETS, ...$2.

To be obtained at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, and at the Doors.

Hongkong, December 12, 1878. de13

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL,

HONGKONG.

SATURDAY EVENING,

December 14th, 1878.

Will be produced

"LA FILLE DE MADAME ANGOT."

MISS C. STANLEY AS CLAIRETTE.

First Appearance in China of the popular Australian Comedian, MR. H. P. FRANKLIN.

Re-engagement of MR. F. HAGEMAN.

THE FAREWELL BENEFIT OF MR. H. VERNON, WILL BE GIVEN NEXT WEEK.

The Operas are produced under the Sole direction of MR H. VERNON.

Tickets to be had and Seats secured at Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, where a Plan of the Theatre may be seen.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Dress Circle or Orchestra Stalls..... TWO DOLLARS.
Pit..... ONE DOLLAR.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen cannot be admitted.

Hongkong, December 12, 1878. de15

GARRISON THEATRE.

BY kind permission of His Excellency the Major General Commanding.

PROFESSOR MARCO VITZ

IN NEW EXPERIMENTS AT THE GARRISON THEATRE, ON

SATURDAY,

the 14th Instant.

Doors Open at 8.30, and Begin at 9 o'Clock.

Tickets to be had at the Doors of the Theatre.

ADMISSION:

Reserved Seats,.....$1.00
Second Class,..... 50
Back Seats,..... 25

Hongkong, December 11, 1878 de15

Notices to Consignees.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Veronia* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m. To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 12th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SIEMSSEN & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 6, 1878. de13

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Arratoon Apcar*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 7, 1878. de14

Notices to Consignees.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Moray* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, December 6, 1878. de13

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Glenlyon* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 p.m., To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 13th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, December 11, 1878. de18

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. HENNEQUIN, *Actg. Agent.*

Ex "*Pei Ho.*"

N M K (in diamond) 54/5 Imp. Aldridge
V S C Salmon & Co., from London, 2 cases Millinery.
K J (in diamond) 10, Order, 1 case Haber-
L S C dashery, from London.
J B S 12, Order, 1 case Flannel, from London.
S J C 856, Order, 1 case Merino, from London.

Hongkong, December 5, 1878.

Intimations.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS has Returned and is Now Ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS at No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD.

Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

LOST.

LAST NIGHT, on the QUEEN'S ROAD, or in the CITY HALL, a CINGALESE GOLD LOCKET, containing a Photograph. The Finder will please communicate with the Office of this Paper, when a Reward will be given if necessary.

Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

MR. MCNULTY, formerly of the "BRITISH HOTEL," begs to announce that he has taken the "COMMERCIAL INN," 272, Queen's Road Central, and trusts that his Friends and the Public will again favour him with their support.

Hongkong, December 7, 1878. de14

NOTICE.

FROM the 1ST OF OCTOBER, DR EASTLACKE will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

NOTICE.

FOUNDRY AND DOCK, FOR SALE OR TO BE LET.

TENDERS will be Received until the 1ST JANUARY, 1879, for the absolute PURCHASE or LEASE for One, Two or Three Years of all that VALUABLE PROPERTY known as the CHINA MERCHANTS STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S FOUNDRY, situate at Hongkew, Shanghai, in the Empire of China, comprising several Rows of GODOWNS and DWELLING HOUSES for the Staff, and several Rows of WORKSHOPS, with all TOOLS, &c., complete, and Covering an Area of about 2½ acres. The Foundry commands a fine River Frontage of about 800 feet Long, and is the most complete for the Building and Repairing of Ships in China.

Applicants are requested to state the Terms upon which they will take the above Property.

SIMILAR TENDERS will be Received until the 1ST JANUARY, 1879, for the COMPANY'S DOCK, situate at Pootung, Shanghai, in the Empire of China, which Dock measures 336 feet by 78 feet, Dock Entrance 72 feet, River Frontage about 1,200 feet, and Covering an Area of about 4 English acres, with TWO DWELLING HOUSES, a BLACKSMITH SHOP and CARPENTER'S SHED attached.

In case of a Sale, one half of the Purchase Money can remain on mortgage of the Property assigned, and in the case of a Lease, substantial security must be given for the due fulfilment of the same by the Lessee. The Company does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender.

For further Particulars, apply to

CHINA MERCHANTS STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, *Hankow Road,* SHANGHAI.

December 6, 1878. ja8

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR LONDON.

The S/S L. I. Swedish Bark *"ALMA,"* Captain O. OHLSSON, will be despatched as above on or before the 10th January, 1879.

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, December 12, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT).

The Steamship *"GLENLYON,"* Captain WALLACE, will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 13th Inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., *Agents.*

Hongkong, December 12, 1878. de13

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship *"AMOY,"* G. H. DREWES, Master, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, Friday, the 13th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, December 12, 1878. de13

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship *"NAMOA,"* Capt. WESTOBY, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 15th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, December 12, 1878. de15

A FANCY BAZAAR in AID OF THE FRENCH ORPHANAGE, will be Held in ST. ANDREW'S HALL, CITY HALL, on SATURDAY, the 14th Instant, from 3 to 6.30 p.m.

By kind permission of Colonel JAGO and the Officers, the Band of H. M. 74th Highlanders will Play during the Afternoon.

Hongkong, December 12, 1878. de14

NOTICE.

AS MAN WO CHEUNG had certain business transactions with HO KON SHUN, through the hands of SHEK TSING CHUEN, and as all the accounts arising out of these transactions, together with all money matters between them, were cleared up and settled on the 3rd day of June of this year, —MAN WO CHEUNG now begs to give notice that, should any dispute or difficulty arise between Shek Tsing Chuen and Ho Kon Shun, he (Man Wo Cheung) has nothing whatever to do with such disputes.

MAN WO CHEUNG, *No. 40, Wing Lok Street.*

Hongkong, December 12, 1878. de19

CANTON COTTON YARN MILL, ALSO KNOWN AS THE FU ON HONG.

ALL Parties indebted to the above Estate are requested to make immediate Payment, and all CLAIMS on the same must be presented on or before the 31st Instant, or they will not be recognized.

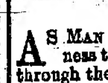
T. B. CUNNINGHAM, Attorney for DANIEL VROOMAN, and TSE KWAI CHIN, doing business under the name of FU ON HONG.

Canton, December 11, 1878. de19

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.



The Company's Steamship *"TANAIS,"* Commandant DE LA MARCELLE, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA on FRIDAY, the 13th Instant, at 4 p.m.

L. HENNEQUIN, *Actg. Agent.*

Hongkong, December 12, 1878.

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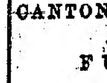

The Company's Steamship *"SINDH,"* Commandant MONGE, will be despatched for SHANGHAI on SATURDAY, the 14th Instant, at 7 a.m.

L. HENNEQUIN, *Actg. Agent.*

Hongkong, December 12, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. *SINDH* AND *DJEMNAH.*

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Euphrate*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-MORROW, the 13th Inst., at 10 a.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after THURSDAY, the 19th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. HENNEQUIN, *Actg. Agent.*

Hongkong, December 12, 1878.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 12, *Namoa*, British steamer, 862, Geo. Westoby, Foochow Dec. 8, Amoy 9, and Swatow 11, General.—DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Dec. 12, *Amoy*, British steamer, from Canton.

Dec. 12, *Esmeralda*, British steamer, 695, Cullen, Amoy Dec. 10, and Swatow 11, Tea.—RUSSELL & Co.

Dec. 12, *Yottung*, British steamer, 286, S. W. Goggin, Swatow Nov. 11, General.—KWOK ACHEONG.

Dec. 12, *Zamboanga*, Spanish steamer, 615, Arranguren, Bangkok Nov. 9, Saigon 27, and Cam Ranh Bay Dec. 8, General.—REMEDIOS & Co.

Dec. 12, *Cingalee*, British barque, 886, Le Couter, Swatow Dec. 4, Ballast.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Dec. 12, *Sindh*, French steamer, 2103, Monge, Marseilles Nov. 7, Naples 9, Port Said 18, Suez 19, Aden 23, Galle 28, Singapore Dec. 4, Saigon 8, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 12, *Olympia*, for Swatow.
12, *Agostura*, for Saigon.
12, *Ningpo*, for Canton.
12, *Douglas*, for Coast Ports.
12, *Anadyr*, for Marseilles, &c.
12, *Tejo*, Port. g.-boat, for Macao.

CLEARED.

Hermine, for Quinhon.
Melbrek, for Manila.
Hilda, for Nagasaki.
Amoy, for Shanghai.
Quarta, for Saigon.
Christian, for Singapore.
Franklin, for Saigon.
Glenlyon, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Sindh*, for Hongkong: from Marseilles, Mr and Mrs Brereton, Dr and Mrs Wharry, Mr and Mrs Broadbent, Mr and Mrs Klitzke, Messrs Tomkins and Kuhlman; from Singapore, Mr Couvreur; from Saigon, Mrs Melanie Umna, Mr S. Girand, and 96 Chinese.—For Shanghai: from Marseilles, Miss Walker, Messrs Burgoyne, Morris, Hall, Ome, Guillen, Beaugendre, Carbonnel, Bureau, Gouraud, Crocker, Ballor, and Aurientis.—For Yokohama: from Marseilles, Mr and Mrs Bacsles, 2 children and servant, Mrs Biguex, Messrs Guerin, and Founacoski; from Port Said, Mr James Wallace.

Per *Namoa*, from Coast Ports, Mr A. Algar, Capt. Heuer, and 180 Chinese.

Per *Esmeralda*, from Amoy, 200 Chinese, and 1 European deck.

Per *Yottung*, from Swatow, 1 European, and 32 Chinese.

Per *Zamboanga*, from Bangkok, &c., 80 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Anadyr*, from Hongkong: for Saigon, Messrs Le Mée, Thinselin, Roques, Dessutour, E. Funel, 16 Natives, and 3 Seamen; for Singapore, Messrs A. S. del Aguila, Ths. Neave, Ruthven and 4 children, G. Kleinwort, and 1 Chinese; for Galle, Mr P. W. Bushby; for Suez, Mr F. S. Head; for Naples, 1 Chinese servant; for Marseilles, Messrs Hayes, M. B. Aquito and P. Crespo.—From Shanghai: for Saigon, Messrs Annat, Bindel, Combert, and Kanamer; for Suez, Mr A. B. Monscheckoff; for Marseilles, Messrs Ed. Rohun, Jeanverand, Peter Winton, B. Carlos, S. C. Rees, and G. Ferlera; for Calcutta, Mr Chapsal.—From Yokohama: for Saigon, Messrs Jourden, Le Pontois, and Albin; for Singapore, Mr and Mrs Want; for Marseilles, Messrs Ragnoli, Bossolo, Butta, Vigano, Biffi, Civetta, Cheynet, Vauvray, Maurer, Ferrero, Ohachi, Kawamura, T. Scott, Reeks, and Bosma.

Per *Douglas*, for Amoy, Mr K. T. Yamada; for Amoy, Mr Moller.

Per *Olympia*, for Swatow, 165 Chinese deck, and 1 European.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Namoa* reports: Experienced Southerly winds with dull hazy weather from Foochow to Amoy; Amoy to Swatow strong monsoon; thence to Hongkong light airs and foggy. In Amoy: H.M.S. *Hart*. In Swatow: strs. *Yehsin*, and *Yottung*. S. S. *Yesso* left for North. Passed S. S. *Kwangtung* off Sharp Peak.

The British steamer *Esmeralda* reports: Thick hazy weather throughout.

The British steamer *Yottung* reports: Calms throughout the passage.

The Spanish steamer *Zamboanga* reports: Left Bangkok on 9th Nov. bound to Hongkong, put back to Saigon on the 17th, left Saigon on the 27th, put back to Cam Ranh Bay on the 29th, and left Cam Ranh Bay on the 8th Dec.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

FONTENAYE, British ship, Capt. Geo. B. Taylor.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

COMMISSARY, British ship, Captain A. Morison.—Meyer & Co.

FANNY, French barque, Captain E. M. Gouyo.—Landstein & Co.

NAPIER, British barque, Capt. W. L. Bryar.—Messageries Maritimes.

FIRTH OF FORTH, British barque, Capt. J. Cowper.—Olyphant & Co.

EARL OF DEVON, British barque, Captain James Beer.—Captain.

TAIWAN, German barque, Captain C. Jessen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

CRAIGARD, British barque, Capt. W. S. Hawkins.—Olyphant & Co.

HAMBURG, German barque, Captain H. von Kroge.—Eduard Schellhass & Co.

ANNIE S. HALL, American barque, Capt. Chs. H. Nelson.—Captain.

CLIVE, British steamer, Captain N. Prowse.—Borneo Company, Limited.

S. R. BEARCE, American barque, Capt. A. E. Oakes.—Russell & Co.

PHARTON, British barque, Captain H. Schael.—Wieler & Co.

CINGALEE, British barque, Captain John Le Couter.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—

For SHANGHAI,—
Per *Glenlyon*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 13th inst.
Per *Amoy*, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 13th inst.

For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW,—
Per *Namoa*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 14th inst.

For HOIHOW & HAIPHONG, (with Mails for Pakhoi and Hanoi)—
Per *Atalanta*, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 14th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SAIGON,—
Per *Pernambuco*, at 2.30 p.m., on Monday, the 16th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS, AND CALCUTTA,—
Per *Moray* and *Arratoon Apcar*, at 2.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 17th inst.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—
The British Contract Packet *Geelong* will be despatched with Mails for the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, Gibraltar, Europe, and countries served through London, on SATURDAY, the 21st Instant.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Contract Packet *Peiho* will be despatched from Hongkong on SATURDAY, the 28th Instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, *viâ Naples*; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Réunion, Mauritius, Suez, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Ascension.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Noon.—*Glenlyon* leaves for Shanghai.

4 p.m.—*Amoy* leaves for Shanghai.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, December 14:—
3 p.m.—Fancy Bazaar in St. Andrew's Hall.
4 p.m.—*Esmeralda* leaves for Manila.
5.30 and 9 p.m.—Meeting of Perseverance Lodge.
9 p.m.—Professor Marco Vitz's Magical Performance at Garrison Theatre.
Opera Bouffe at the City Hall.

SUNDAY, December 15:—
Daylight.—*Namoa* leaves for Coast Ports.
8 a.m.—*Atalanta* leaves for Hoihow, &c.

MONDAY, December 16:—
Tenders for Repairs of *Patino* close at Noon.

TUESDAY, December 17:—
3 p.m.—*Arratoon Apcar* and *Moray* leave for Singapore, &c.

WEDNESDAY, December 18:—
9 p.m.—Meeting of Victoria Lodge.
Goods per *Glenlyon* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, December 21:—
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.

TUESDAY, December 31:—
3 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

FRIDAY, January 10:—
Alma leaves for London on or before this date.

MONDAY, January 13:—
3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Chinese Insurance Co., Limited, at the Head Office, Hongkong.

MONDAY, January 20:—
Sale of the Iron Screw Steamship *America*, by Messrs. Hughes & Legge, on or about this date.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,

Established A.D. 1841.

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☞ *The Manufactory is under direct and continuous European Supervision.*

Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

☞ *The publication of this issue commenced at 7.25 p.m.*

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DEC. 12, 1878.

A MOVEMENT is reported to be on foot among the hotel and bar keepers at Yokohama to abolish, or at any rate considerably restrict, the "chit" system. We believe that both the purchasers and sellers of "drinks" in Hongkong would find it a permanent benefit if the ready money system were introduced at the bars of this Colony. It is no doubt somewhat more convenient to sign a "chit" for "drinks round" than to pay cash for them, although the notes which form the staple currency here, and a little small change in silver, would distress no one to carry; but there are other points to be considered. One of the greatest evils of the "chit" system is that it induces reckless expenditure. Had the young fellows, and old fellows for the matter of that, who frequent the bars here, to pay over hard cash for every "drink" they swallow, we are confident their thirst would be very materially lessened, and their pockets and health substantially improved. The same remark applies to billiards, and other similar "luxuries" of life in the Colony. People hardly know or hardly care what they spend, so long as running in debt means nothing more disagreeable for the time being than the disposing of a "cock-tail," and the signing of a "chit." The "chit" system has also its objectionable side for the hotel-keeper. It means, in the first place, considerable trouble and expense in keeping and making out accounts, and sending round people to get them paid. These matters increase the expenses of the hotel-keeper, and the cost of the commodities he vends. Then there is the far more serious drawback in the "chit" system of bad debts. A Yokohama contemporary calculates a hotel-keeper probably finds not more than two-fourths of his "chits" paid at the end of the month; one-fourth more may be paid after further trouble, while the remaining one-fourth has to be classed among the bad debts. Here we have another reason why the exorbitant price of twenty-five cents is unblushingly charged here for a "drink," costing the seller, most likely, not more than one third or one-fourth of that sum. Whether the Yokohama calculations are applicable to Hongkong we are unable to say, but probably they are somewhere near the mark. It is to be hoped, however, that we have no tipplers here quite so acute as some down in Australia. A good story is told in a recent issue of an Australian contemporary, of the way in which one colonial tippler, whose thirst was greater than his credit, got the better of an enterprising Melbourne bar-keeper. The perpetrator of this smart piece of business is described as a gentleman who certainly would not look well as the figure-head of a temperance ship. His character could be immediately discerned in his face—one of those open countenances upon which you could read "Half a pint of beer," as plainly as though it were written on an open page. His credit had been stopped at the hotels, but he shuffled into one, where he was well known, looking thirsty and determined. Feeling in his pocket as though he were endeavouring to fish out—some money, he said "M—— how much do I owe you." The landlord quickly replied "Eighteen-pence," hope of being paid beaming in his eyes. "Then give me half a pint of beer," said the man. It was handed to him, and he drank the liquor, still feeling in his pocket. When the last drop had found its way down his throat, he looked reassuringly at the publican, and said, "Well, that will make just two shillings." It is added that he then left in a hurry, but, from the incidental remark concluding the paragraph, that he skinned his elbow on the foot-path, it would appear that the landlord was a little too quick for him.

WE have received a copy of the fifth issue of *The Britannic*, "a weekly newspaper devoted to the financial, commercial, and social, interests of British subjects in the United States of America." There should be a good opening for such a journal in the United States. If there be any part of the world where British interests require support from the press, we imagine it to be in the country of our trans-Pacific brethren. One of the things that strike an Englishman with a very large amount of surprise on his first becoming a reader of American journals is the hostile tone adopted by the bulk of the United States newspapers to British people and British concerns. We are sure that this hostility is not returned by English journals. There may have been times—during the civil war and the Alabama negotiations, and on earlier occasions when national feeling was aroused over some unfortunate difference between the two countries—when hard things may have been designedly said in the English papers of the American Government and people, but certainly that bitter feeling has not lasted to the present day. It is rarely that any attempt is made in an English journal to deprecate Americans and their institutions for the mere sake of deprecating them, unless in the way of "chaff"; on the other hand, it is rarely that one can take up even a leading journal of the United States without finding some ebullition of prejudice or gross ignorance regarding the people who gave the American nation birth. In the last *New York Herald* we had the pleasure of perusing, for instance, we found a savage attack on England's Afghan policy concluded with some violent references to "the poor wretched people of India, out of whose misery the English nation ground its wealth," or something to that effect. The journalist who wrote those lines must have been intelligent enough to know that English rule in India is one of the greatest blessings that could be bestowed on the Empire—that it has saved it from constant internal wars, developed its resources, and made it the most powerful country in Asia at the present moment. If any money has been drawn from India it has certainly been done in a legitimate way by means of commerce. We levy no taxes on India for other purposes than to further her own development, good government, and protection. Nor do we reserve her commerce to ourselves. One would imagine that the editors of most of our American contemporaries were Fenians. We wish *The Britannic* success, although we cannot say much for its contents, literary merits, or appearance. English interests in America are worthy of stronger support than we are inclined to think. *The Britannic* will be able to afford them.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A CHINESE procession perambulated the streets to-day, which is said to have a local significance not generally attached to these noisy demonstrations. It is said that the "pomp and ceremony" thus brought together and exhibited to an admiring public was a thanksgiving to Wa-to, the tutelary deity of the Wa-to Hospital, for the success which had attended the efforts of the Committee of that Hospital in getting up and presenting the Chinese address to Her Majesty the Queen. What connection Wa-to, of medical fame, has

with Mr Hennessy we may probably learn in time by an inspiration from Tokio.

We are glad to be able to note the safe arrival of the S. S. *Zamboanga*. As we surmised, she had sought shelter and awaited the weather clearing up. She left Saigon on the 27th ultimo, after having undergone necessary repairs, and had made a good run up as far as the Paracels, when the weather became threatening, and the Captain deemed it advisable to seek shelter. He ran for a place called Cam Ranh Bay, about 140 miles to the northward of Saigon, which he reached on the 29th ultimo, and was joined by a French gunboat. A steamer was seen in the offing, thought to be the *Madagascar*, which was unable to make the Bay, owing to the strong current and heavy sea. After waiting nine days at Cam Ranh Bay the *Zamboanga* weighed anchor and came on. She passed a steamer, supposed to be the *Madagascar* (yellow funnel, black top and white yards), off Cape Varela on the 8th instant.

THE Band of the 74th Highlanders will perform the following programme at the Officer's Mess to-morrow night, commencing at 8.45 p.m.:—

Quadrille,...*Un Ballo in Maschera*,...Strauss.
Overture,.....*Mirella*,.....Gounod.
Selection,.....*Gemma di Vergy*,...Donizetti.
Valse,.....*Fesche Geister*,.....Strauss.
.....*Reminiscences of Weber*.....
Galop,.....*Asteroid*,.....Riche.

MR J. BUCHANAN, *Bandmaster*.

HEDGE & Co.'s Weekly Shipping Report, Pagoda Anchorage, 7th December, 1878:—

Arrivals During the Week.—Nov. 29, Velox, from Chefoo; 29, Lunan, from Newchwang; Dec. 1, Agamemnon, from Shanghai; 2, Douglas, from Hongkong; 4, Kolga, from Chefoo; 4, Menatitlan, from Newchwang; 5, Namoa, from Hongkong.

Departures During the Week.—Nov. 29, August, for Amoy; Dec. 3, China, for Chefoo; 2, Yesso, for Hongkong; 3, Agamemnon, for London; 4, Hasting, for Shanghai; 4, Douglas, for Hongkong; 4, 4, Johanna Kremer, for Kobe; 6, Europe, for Shanghai.

Shipping in Port.—Christian, Quickstep, Velox, Lunan, Kolga, Menatitlan, Namoa.

CHINESE NOTES.

Speaking of the Bulgarian Kingdom in the 9th century, Lieut. Col. Baker says: "Fires kindled at certain hours of the day conveyed intelligence of hostile incursions, &c." (See Baker's *Turkey*).

During the Turko-Chinese dynasty of *Chow* wolves' dung was burnt upon eminences or towers separated several leagues from each other. The smoke thus caused was said to ascend in a body direct, and not to dissipate itself readily into space [散]. The eminences were called 烽堆 or 烽墜 or 烟墜 or 烽火墜, and the beacon fires heralded the approach of an enemy. There are remains of these eminences on the road from Nank'ou (Peking) to Jeho; and if our memory does not fail us, they are still called 狼台 or wolf-towers, by the local rustics.

The monkey appears to contribute extensively to the Chinese pharmacopœia. The *pus* collected in the scab of a sick monkey which has sought out herbs for its own cure is used by the Chinese doctors to treat excess of phlegm. Moreover, mentruus simiæ sanguis ad coercendam leucorrhœam necnon contra amenorrhœam adhibitur. 猴杰 and 猴棗 are the substances in question, but our informant appears a little hazy as to which is which. The former is also called 玉猴杰. Both are taken internally, and are mixed up with other substances in a soup [茶] or hot draught.

The Chinese oracle is also consulted by drawing chips of notched bamboo out of a hollowed bamboo case like a large dice-box which is first carefully shaken. [簽抽]. The results are distinguished into 內卦 and 外卦.

Police Intelligence.

(*Before C. V. Creagh, Esq.*)

Dec. 12, 1878.

DRUNKENNESS.

James Brooke, described as a clerk, was brought up, on remand, charged with being drunk and incapable. Fined half a dollar and ordered to pay forty cents for chair hire; in default, three days' imprisonment.

LARCENY.

Chan Akwai, convicted of stealing one box of clothing valued at $4 from the steamer *Douglas*, was sent to six months' hard labour, and two hours in the stocks.

FALSE PRETENCES.

Wong Ali, shopman, was charged by Mr J. Parker, a clerk at the magistracy, with attempting to pass a registration ticket, as his own, which was issued to another man by the Registration department. Fined $5.

CHAIR COOLIES.

Ma Asung, and another, chair coolies to Mr A. Millar, were charged with refusing to carry their master on the grounds of being overworked and consequently tired. They positively refused to carry Mr Millar any more. It transpired in the course of the enquiry that they had on Wednesday last carried their master from his house to the Hongkong Hotel and back and afterwards to the Supreme Court and back. Fined half a dollar each; in default, three days' imprisonment.

China.

AMOY.

(*Gazette.*)

We understand that a cricket match takes place this afternoon (Dec. 5th) at the recreation ground between H.M.S. *Hart* and H.M.S. *Sheldrake*; and that there will be another match to-morrow afternoon between the British Fleet and Local Cricket Club.

The Revenue cruiser *Feihoo* arrived to-day (Dec. 5) from the Light-houses.

Our readers will observe in the advertising column, a notice issued by the acting Spanish Consul General of this port, that the Government of the Phillipine Islands forbid, until further order, the introduction of all class of Foreign coin into those islands.

The steamer *Glenartney*, Captain Auld, left yesterday (Dec. 5th) for New York via Suez with a cargo of Tea.

FOOCHOW.

(*Herald*, Dec. 5th.)

Subscriptions to the Pagoda Anchorage Mortuary Chapel have now reached the full sum required; and we understand that the building will be commenced at once.

We understand that the Amoy Races are fixed for the 16th, 17th and 18th proximo. Many good ponies are in training, and some good sport is confidently predicted.

A return match at Cricket—first half *v.* second of the alphabet—was played yesterday. The latter side were again victorious.

The earthquake noticed in our last issue was experienced at about the same hour at Amoy, Swatow, Hongkong, Canton, and other southern ports. It is conjectured that Manila has suffered severely.

It is stated that the Arsenal Authorities have forbidden the rebuilding of the Chinese houses destroyed at Mamoy on the 24th ulto. They allege that the ground is required for government purposes.

We hear that the Foochow Cricket Club have sent a challenge to the Hongkong cricketers,—the match to be played on or about the race week. We trust that the colonists will be able to send a team worthy of their fame.

Training at the Tartar Camp is progressing steadily, but the course continues very hard. There was some "powing" on Wednesday last but without much result in the way of enlightening an inquisitive public. A few more "cracks" are, we hear, expected from Shanghai.

The dismasted British ship *Arab*—which was outside this port some time ago, asking for assistance—was, we hear, blown down to Amoy, her distress signals not having been answered by a Chinese gunboat within hail. She was condemned a few days ago, and sold for the comparatively small sum of $5,500.

The rumour to which we gave publicity a short time ago anent the probable retirement of the Viceroy at an early date is, we hear, revived; and it is further stated that in the event of the vicegeral office becoming vacant it will be occupied by Ting Futai. Ting's malady will not, it is whispered, preclude his acceptance of the superior post.

We hear that Messrs Douglas Lapraik & Co. have started a house in their own name at Swatow, under charge of Captain Pitman, late of the S. S. *Douglas*, who has been in their service as subordinate officer and commander for nearly twenty years. In consequence of Captain Pitman's retirement from sea-going life, Captain Young will, we understand, take command of the *Douglas*, while the *Taiwan* will be commanded by Captain Abbott.

The native officials have, we understand, had several interviews with H. B. M.'s Consul in regard to the Wu-shih-shan Affair, but without leading to any satisfactory settlement. It is understood that the Provincial Government object to rebuilding the house, and that they also persistently decline to arrest Lin Ying Ling and the other implicated members of the *literati*. These terms are, we believe, insisted upon, and we hope they will be rigidly adhered to.

Another large fire occurred in the western suburb of the City on the afternoon of the 3rd instant. It is said to have originated in the careless casting aside of some "joss" sticks which were left burning in a corner of one of the houses. The fire was first observed at about 2.30 p.m. and spread with great rapidity in a north-easterly direction, though fortunately it was confined to a limited area by firewalls. About six hundred houses—chiefly inhabited by the poorer class, were destroyed, but the loss would have been much greater had there been more wind. We have not heard of any loss of life.

A correspondent at Tamsui writes:—"On the 16th instant (Nov.) the German brig *Diana* grounded off the south entrance to the river and, though the little *Feiloong* tugged at her vigorously, some days elapsed before she could be moved off the bank. Most of the cargo has been discharged, and the general impression is that the unlucky vessel will—after a little temporary patching up—be able to make Amoy—where it is intended to dock her. Fever is very prevalent at Tamsui and Kelung, and there have been a number of fatal cases amongst the natives at both places."

We take the following from the *Amoy Gazette* of 26th ultimo:—

Subscriptions to the "David Manson Memorial Hospital" to be erected in Takao, now amount to nearly $3,000, and subscribers thereto will be pleased to hear that the work will be commenced very shortly. Chinese officials and merchants in Takao and Taiwanfoo have come forward most liberally, and in some cases have given purely out of respect to the memory of him whose labours in former years they so much appreciated.

Our readers, by a majority of whom the late Doctor David Manson was known and esteemed, will no doubt agree with us in thinking that a more appropriate form of memorial to such an ardent and devoted lover of his noble profession could not be devised; and we trust that this good and useful work will meet with a liberal and general support.

Here is an item of news for our fair readers, which we trust they will turn to advantage. A better field than China for fan collecting nowhere exists—whether we consider the excellence of the material or the great variety of patterns obtainable,—while collections may be formed at a comparatively moderate cost:—"It seems that fan-collecting is to be the rage next season; and it is stated that a lady novelist, taking advantage of the fancy, is going to write a book on the theme."

SHANGHAI.

(*Courier.*)

H.M.'s Gunboat *Swinger* arrived to-day (Dec. 6th) from Chinkiang.

The Russian flag-ship *Bayan*, carrying the flag of Real-Admiral Baron Steckelberg, arrived to-day (Decr. 6th) from Nagasaki.

The sixth Report of the Chinese Hospital and Dispensary in connection with the London Mission, Tientsin, for 1876-7, states that over seven thousand cases were treated during the two years. During the nine years in which the Hospital has been established, over 53,000 cases have been received and more than 121,000 visits paid. The famines of the last few years have caused a great amount of sickness and the work of the Hospital has been much increased in consequence. "Each year," we are told, "there has been pestilence, in the shape of famine or other fevers of a typhus type; and though from the dispenser being unable to give the time needful to attend such cases at their homes, comparatively few are found upon the register, more than once the faithful labours of the staff have resulted in their own almost mortal sickness." At the end of 1877 there was a balance owing of Tls. 179.48; and further subscriptions are needed to enable the institution to meet the demands made upon it.

We have received a copy of the tenth Annual Report of the Hospital for Chinese at the American Episcopal Mission, Shanghai, for the year 1877. We learn that 19,970 patients were treated at the Hospital during the year, including 107 foreigners (Africans and Malays). There were ten deaths among the indoor patients during the year. The Medical Officers (Drs. Henderson and Zacharise) in the Report remark:—"It is greatly to be regretted that the mission has as yet been able to do so little towards the improvement of the premises in which the work of the Hospital is carried on. The usefulness of the Institution continues to be seriously restricted by the condition of the building, which is only fitted for the reception of the poorest class of patients." The Rev. Dr. Nelson adds:—

"We have been striving to accumulate a fund for the erection of a more suitable building for the Hospital, as well as to procure a better site than that on which it now stands. A good site we have not yet got, but shall continue our efforts to secure one, and shall be obliged for help towards this object. The area of ground required need not be large, but it is desirable that it should be not far either from the present hospital, or from the New Police station. The fund for building is now large enough to give good hope of a suitable Hospital, if we had the proper site. The prestige of nine years of service, and of the good done to numbers from various regions around, makes this hospital an institution of considerable value to the natives of many places. We trust that in the future, both in a benevolent and a Christian point of view, its benefits will be yet more extended. To the surgeons who have given their time, their skill and their kindly services to the Hospital, we would here make our grateful acknowledgments, as well as to those who have contributed the means of its support,—and ask from them all a continuance of their charity."

The Treasurer's account shows a credit balance of $1,167.82.

NANKING.

Nov. 27th, 1878.

I am painfully aware that my letters from this place are vapid in the extreme. True, there is never any news; but what excuse is that for a newspaper correspondent? To-day, however, I have a piece of intelligence the importance of which will amply atone for all past shortcomings. The mandarins have issued a proclamation of the supremest significance to every foreigner and native in the Empire. Here in Nanking I almost dread to think what the result will be. It will be felt in every household, it will create consternation in every restaurant, it will affect everybody, more or less, from the Viceroy to the villager. In a word, the people are *forbidden to eat shrimps*, on the ground that these toothsome molluscs are nothing but locusts in disguise! Locusts, say the enlightened and scientific authorities of this city, are apt to fall into the water, where they are transformed into shrimps; therefore it is dangerous, improper, and unnatural to eat them, and the people are forwarned accordingly. Now shrimps are regarded as a favourite luxury by most of our local *gourmets*, and no doubt great dissatisfaction will be expressed. At present, however, the city is quiet and no immediate tumult is anticipated. Indeed, it is most likely that the paternal care of the mandarins will be accepted in a spirit of gratitude, and that their surprising scientific acquirements will glean for them the admiration and respect that they deserve.

And now I have again to cry *peccavi* for the unmerited contempt with which I treated what now turns out to be the true reason for the recent weeding of the walls. I must premise that the operation has not been confined to the *façade* of the walls, but has been extended all along the southern side of the city on the broad road which runs along the top of the great bulwarks. This road, which was until recently a tangled wilderness, has now been carefully cleaned, all the grass and shrubs rooted up, and something like a decent thoroughfare made of it; and the object of it all is that there may be no difficulty in manipulating cannon in the event of General Li making his appearance in the province. I have this on what I really believe to be very good authority, and have every reason to regard it as the truth. At present I believe the rebel chieftain—one of the leaders of the T'ai-p'ing insurrection, as of course your readers are aware—is marching towards Annam; but as I said before, our Viceroy is a far-sighted and keen statesman, and he would be an early bird indeed who should ever catch him napping.

In a dirty lane, not far from the South gate, there stands a squalid hovel, the appearance and surroundings of which are exactly the reverse of inviting. Entering, we find ourselves in a dark, damp room—not half so nice as a decent stable—whence we cross a tiny yard to what we may term the mansion proper. This is an ordinary Chinese house of mean and unsavoury appearance, with a frail and risky-looking upper story reached by what may by courtesy be called a staircase. The place is inhabited by three Chinamen, and there is nothing to distinguish it from the other dirty hovels by which it is surrounded. But the initiated know better. This is the establishment of the American Presbyterian Missionary Board in Nanking; and the first-named room is the Chapel. For ten months it has been left to take care of itself, no missionary having been appointed to replace the deceased incumbent of the post. There is a native evangelist living there—a very decent man he is, too—and the others are servants. I do not think I am using a harsh expression when I speak of the whole affair as by no means creditable to the cause. The structure itself is one which few respectable Chinese, one would think, would care to be seen entering; although one must in fairness remember that Chinamen have but original ideas themselves of cleanliness and comfort. But considered as a foreign residence; as the headquarters of a well-known Board of Missions in the second capital of China; as one of the two establishments representing Protestant Christianity in Nanking—we can only say that it makes one thoroughly ashamed to be in any way identified with it. The unfortunate evangelist, of course, has been left without any instruction since the death of the former resident; while the two or three other converts must be even worse off still. A gentleman from Soochow paid the place a flying visit the other day, and I hear that a native pastor is to be sent there shortly from Ningpo, who will, of course, assume charge. But what impression can have been made upon the Chinese by the long neglect and by the dirt and squalor of the whole concern,—why, your readers are as well able to judge as I.

We had a fine display of bunting here the other day. Our friendly neighbour, the military mandarin in charge of the adjoining garrison, hoisted a flag in honour of the anniversary of the death of the Arsenal Superintendent's grandmother.

Weather mild and cool and pleasant, but for some reason exceedingly unhealthy.—*Shanghai Courier.*

TWICE ROUND THE CLOCK IN PARIS.

Paris, October 12.

In a book which is now rare, though it was written but ten years ago, Alfred Delvau did for Paris what Mr Sala did for London in his series *Twice round the Clock*. The priority of idea is with the English writer; keeness of observation and charm of conversational style are about equal in both. Delvau, like the born Bohemian that he was,—he is now more irretrievably of the past than his book,—began his 'Parisian Hours' at three in the morning with a glimpse of the market-gardeners discharging at the Halles their carloads of fruit and vegetables for the day's consumption. The vehicles used for this service are the stage-coaches of the provision trade. They are crossed by other highflyers, a little better deserving of the name, having dead oxen and sheep for passengers from the *abattoirs* to all the butchers' shops within the fortifications. At this same hour the *chiffonniers* used to be starting on their rounds; but in consequence of a recent municipal decree, the peripatetic ragmen now go to business rather later than the sun. At four the milk-women set up their stalls at the street-corners, where, since they will not go to Molly, as in the London fashion, Molly comes to them. At five the workmen are afoot, but most of them will presently be at a stand-still *chez le mastroquet* cant term for the keeper of a dram-shop—who will supply them with the wherewithal for the 'killing of the worm.' The only other civilians about are the crowds of haggard travellers from Havre, Strasburg, Brussels, or Berlin, who have just been turned adrift in Paris from the night train. Those corporals or sergeants in heavy marching order are messengers from their respective barracks to the état-major in the Place Vendôme for the *mot d'ordre* of the day. At the same time the postmen are streaming into their staff-office in the Rue Jean-Jacques-Rousseau to fill their boxes for the first delivery. When will Paris rebuild this grimy ruin, compared with which our chief office in St. Martin's le Grand is as a novelty of yesterday? At six they sound the Angelus from the churches; the Catholic muezzins are calling the faithful to prayer. The gates of the cemeteries are opened to the gardeners, marble-masons, mourners; and those graves that the first are not paid to moisten with fresh water, the last will moisten with their tears. Half an hour later the newspaper-porter is leaving your subscriber's copy at the door. Your *concierge* will let you have it as soon as his wife has finished the last instalment of the *feuilleton*, and he has run his eye over the money article and the intelligence of the day before yesterday, which does duty for the morning's news. At seven the grooms set out for their early gallop in the Bois to have the first and the best of your horses, as the *concierge* has the first and the best of your journal. It should be no more than an amble to breathe the steeds; but messieurs want their exercise as well as you, and besides, with this fresh invigorating breeze blowing, there is no holding the things in. You might think you were in London for the English look of all the actors in this part of the play. They shave to pattern, and the pattern is found in the Row. There is something more purely indigenous in the shop-girls, who are setting out for the great *magasins*, in dresses as plain as palmers' weeds, which they will presently change for silk attire. They used once to be called *grisettes*; and in spite of many a lament over the decline of romanticism in the manners of Bohemia, not much more than the name is changed. At eight the main division of the army of street-sweepers advance upon the city, and, opening all the sewer-taps, give it its first morning wash. Messieurs of the London vestries, please copy; but I know you will not. The law-students turn their faces towards the Ecole de Droit; the *garçons de café* leave home for the workshop, as, three hours ago, we saw the carpenters and bricklayers. Being out of uniform at present, they look like other human beings; but when once they have unfolded the little bundles now under their arms, and wound the white thereof about their throats, we shall see distinctly that they are of another order. While they are creeping indoors to work, the notaries' clerks, in uniform coats of another colour—blue—are rushing out. These are the men who present the little bills, and who are about the most unwelcome visitors that ever ring at your door. Later on we shall see them coming home, their huge inside pockets bulky with chained portfolios, stuffed with the day's spoils. The calling is not without danger; one of them was entrapped into a house the other day, and murdered for the sake of his burden. The murderer was not executed. There were extenuating circumstances; it was all done for the sake of his wife and family! The victim, indeed, left a widow and orphans; but this is a detail. We shall never fathom the depths of French logic; let us pass on. Room for the students of the Louvre, who are going to their daily task of producing originals of the great masters, which have at least one undoubted advantage over the works on the walls—that of being in better repair.

Nine o'clock; the pupils of the Conservatoire are in full squall of operatic melody, or in full cry of dramatic declamation. The annual competition, we will suppose, is at hand, when they will sing or recite for prizes before a public *d'élite*, and the best of them will pass at a bound to one of the worst operas or to the best theatre in the world. This establishment illustrates an idiosyncrasy of the national mind. Frenchmen believe that, as acting is an art, you must take lessons in it, just as you would in painting, to say nothing of the three R.'s There are ninety professors for this and kindred branches—only think of what that implies in the number of pupils, and of what the two, together imply in noise! The Civil Service clerks are going to their respective bureaux, to lead the life of ease which is only fabled in regard to the same class at home. They are wretchedly underpaid—for the honour of the thing—and are rather proud of it in consequence. Most of them will get a bonus by and by in the shape of a red ribbon for the buttonhole, an article which Time puts on his loom at the moment of the young clerk's admission to the service, and which the steady-going old worker fashions for the period of superannuation at the rate of about a *millimètre* a year. As early as ten some of the actors and actresses may be seen hurrying to the theatres with the zeal of prophets who have received a call. Those among them that have been discovered to be stars of the first magnitude by the public *lorgnon* are in their chariots; the nameless *nebulæ* are on foot. All must be punctual, rehearsal with a French company being part of the exceptionally serious business of life. An hour later the journalists will be turning in to do their spell of duty for the evening papers. They do not mind working a little in the day; but beware of trying to put them to the drudgery of the pen after dinner. They reserve their evenings for society and the theatre, and are with difficulty to be tempted into hard labour after eight by offers of money or fame. This circumstance determines the character of French journalism, and leads to the publication of many of the important papers at the close, instead of at the beginning, of the day. 'Is thy servant but another kind of journeyman baker,' says the French leader-writer or *chroniqueur*, 'that he should toil all night to provide these with hot news for breakfast in the morning? The practice gives both news and comment a certain staleness of flavour; but their authors try to get over that by post-dating the evening sheet. Believe, therefore, that everything they relate happened yesterday instead of the day before, and all will be well. When you have seen *messieurs les journalistes* off to their work, you may look in at the Russian church for the morning mass—a very fashionable entertainment; and on your return towards the centre of Paris, you may amuse yourself by counting the weddings at the doors of the *mairies*.

Twelve o'clock; high noon used to be announced by a cannon in the Palais Royal, fired by the heat of the sun; but this instrument has been voiceless since the war. It is the almost solemn hour of the French breakfast; as every one knows, a very solid meal, which cuts the day clean in half, very often without leaving any remainder for effective work. Reckon two hours lost at the very least, unless you are a drudge restrained by the tyranny of capital to one. It is not a moment too much for your heavy meal, your coffee and *petit verre* to help you to digest it; your game of cards, if you are in the *bourgeoisie*; your lounge and chat at café or club if you are not. When it is all over it is nearer three o'clock than two, and now go back and finish the day's work if you can. Invaders that want to take French cities by assault should advance at the hour of this *siesta de gourmandise*; it would be better than midnight for the certainty of finding nobody on the walls. After what has been said we may safely leave the hour of one a dead letter, or rather a dead numeral. Paris is still sitting at meat. At two there is a show of reviving energy, especially since the Chambers have sat at Versailles. In fact, this has already led to some interruption of the stately business of life at a still earlier hour, through the necessity of catching supplementary trains; but I have forborne to chronicle it in its due season, because I am convinced that it is only a passing innovation. At two, then, some of us who want porcelain for the drawing-room or boudoir, or carved oak for the dining-room, turn our faces towards the Hôtel Drouot for one of the half dozen sales that are going on there every day. The graver sort will meanwhile be trooping—no straggling—towards the Institute, if it happen to be the day of the weekly sitting. At three the avenue of the Champs Elysées is crowded with the people driving or riding to the Bois. I am going to attempt a description, but not here; wait for my forthcoming volume on Sunrise, the Falls of Niagara, Rotten Row, the Foresters' Fête at the Crystal Palace, and other fresh and original themes. I mention four o'clock only to show that there is still a Galerie d'Orléans at the Palais Royal. No one might have thought it, and yet half a century ago a man had but to go there at the fashionable hour to make sure of meeting his enemy or friend. The reputation of the place as a promenade has, in some sort, survived to this day among the country people and the French from the other side of the world. You may still find there curious groups of colonists and provincials, who believe that in treading the classic pavement of this abandoned hothouse they are doing the right thing—as they are, since it saves confusion by keeping them away from the Bois. At five you may return to the Boulevard to see the crowds forming *en queue* at the doors of the popular theatres, and the more curious spectacle of slow poisoning by the mile at the cafés, where the absinthe has begun to flow. At six the superior layer of the *couches sociales* is in movement homewards. Work is done for the professions and 'high commerce;' finance knocked off an hour ago—which reminds me that I have let the occasion slip of saying som thing about the Bourse. It is an hour without character; people are simply preparing by the artificial fasting of bitters for the evening meal. Seven, dinner; and now—But no, I reserve my account of Paris at this hour for the forthcoming work. At eight the men of heroic mould have risen from table to take their places at the theatres; and there are thousands who will make the sacrifice for that object, if for no other. The weaker brethren straggle in at nine for the second act. Late dinner is ruining the French drama, M. Sarcey says so, and I am bound to believe it, but I should never have guessed as much from the aspect of the houses. I have six hours before me, and hardly more than as many lines to do them in, or this letter may be mistaken for the manuscript of the threatened volume. Let me finish, therefore, by merely transcribing the titles of my notes. At nine, the Boulevards again—closing of the churches. At ten, behind the scenes at the Opera. Eleven: café concerts, balls—fivepenny and other, but chiefly fivepenny. Twelve: theatres emptying, cafés filling. One: night-houses winked at by the police. Two: other night-houses not winked at; and, for an interior of the most picturesque animation, high play at the clubs.—*World*.

A MUSCAT correspondent to a contemporary says:—We have news from Eb Hassa that the Arabs have revolted against the authority of the Turks and have leagued to drive the latter out. Some Turkish men-of-war with troops from Bussorah and Baghdad, it is reported, have been despatched by the Turkish authorities to the assistance of the small local militia in Eb Hassa. Eb Hassa is situated on the mainland, opposite the island of Bahrein, and has been a bone of contention between the Arabs and Turks the past few years. Whenever the Turks found themselves sufficiently strong they occupied it, and their superior arms and discipline always enabled them to do so without serious opposition. The Arabs, on the other hand, jealous of the usurpation by foreigners of what they have hitherto looked upon as their birthright, have as frequently sought opportunities to regain their independence. Eb Hassa was last seized by the Turks just before their troubles in Europe, and was drained of troops to meet the demand for men during the late war. Turkish aggression in Arabia has always been a source of uneasiness to the Arabs, and though Eb Hassa forms no part of H. H. the Sultan of Muscat's dominions, the anxiety with which the approaching struggle is looked forward to, and the undisguised sympathy everywhere expressed for the Arabs, show unmistakably that the feeling against the Turk is widespread."

Quotations.

HONGKONG, *December 12, 1878.*

OPIUM.—New Patna, cash....$560
" " credit, —
" Old Patna, cash,... 552½
" " credit, —
" New Benares, cash, 530
" credit, —
" Old Benares, cash, —
" credit, —
" New Malwa, cash, 750
" credit, —
" Allowance Taels, 32
" Old Malwa, cash, —
" credit, —
" Allowance Taels, —

Exchange.

Bank, on demand, ... 3/6½
" 30 days' sight, ... 3/6¾
" 6 months' sight, ... 3/7¼
Credits, " " ... 3/8.
Documentary, 6 months' sight, 3/8½
Bombay, demand Rupees, 221
Calcutta, " " ... 221
Shanghai, demand, ... 72½
" 30 days', ... 73
Bar Silver, 17 dwts. *B.*, ... 110 nom.
Sycee, ... 109 "
Mexicans, ... 3 % o/
Gold Leaf, 99½ fine 27.70
English Sovereigns, ... 5.55
Australian Sovereigns, ... 5.55

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 61 % prem.
Union Ins. Society of Canton, $1,600
China Traders' Ins. Co., $1,500
Yangtsze Ins. Assoc., Tls. 725
Chinese Insurance Co., $330
North China Ins. Co., Tls. 1,250
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., $885
China Fire Ins. Co., $200
H.K. & W. Dock Co., $8 % prem.
H.K. C. & M. S.-boat Co., $8 prem.
Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tls. 17
China Coast St. Nav. Co., Tls. 102
Hongkong Gas Co., $95
Hongkong Hotel Co., $63
China Sugar Refining Co., 48
Chinese Imperial Loan, £109
Do. of 1877, £108

Temperature.

(*Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.*)

HONGKONG, *December 12, 1878.*

BAROMETER—	9 A.M....	...	30.050
Do.	1 P.M....	...	29.968
Do.	4 P.M....	...	29.970
THERMOMETER—	9 A.M....	...	72
Do.	1 P.M....	...	77
Do.	4 P.M....	...	75
Do. (Wet bulb)	9 A.M.		71
Do. Do.	1 P.M.		73
Do. Do.	4 P.M.		73
Do. Maximum	...	...	77
Do. Minimum over night			70

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

When left.	Name.	From.
Mar.		
28,	Oracle,	Liverpool
30,	Bristolian (s.),	Antwerp
June		
26,	Underwriter,	Fortress Monroe
July		
16,	Annie Bow,	Newcastle (N.S.W.)
16,	Lorimer,	Newcastle (N.S.W.)
18,	Sydenham,	London
21,	Stant,	Antwerp
27,	Pilgrim,	Cardiff
28,	Abbey Cooper,	Antwerp
30,	Sumarlide,	Hamburg
31,	Charmer,	Cardiff
Aug.		
1,	Bury St. Edmunds,	Penarth
7,	Alfredo,	Cardiff
9,	Urania,	Penarth
10,	Corea,	London
11,	Lota,	Cardiff
16,	Friedrich,	Cardiff
Sept.		
13,	Excelsior,	Hamburg
17,	James Shepherd,	London
17,	Cilurnum,	Liverpool *via* Cardiff
22,	Coloma,	San Francisco
Oct.		
16,	Jacobine,	Liverpool
19,	Hermann,	Bremen
24,	Burmese (s.),	London

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At Liverpool.

Stentor (s.) Hector (s.
Leon (s.) Cadiz (s.

Mails.

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ALSO
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.

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For further Particulars, apply to
A. McIVER, *Superintendent.*
Hongkong, December 6, 1878. de21

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For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, *Agent.*
Hongkong, December 6, 1878. de31

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned being about to Close his Firm at Swatow, hereby notifies that all DEBTS and CLAIMS due to or by him, he will Collect and Pay.

The Interest and Good will of his Business has been transferred to Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

E. VINCENT.
Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. have This Day Established a BRANCH of their Firm at Swatow, and have authorized Mr G. D. Pitman to Sign per Procuration.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day established myself as GENERAL and SHARE BROKER.

CARL DENEKE.
Office, Bank Buildings,
Hongkong, December 3, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.
Hongkong Agency.

FROM This Date until further notice, Mr L. HENNIQUIN will assume the Management of the Company's Office at this Port.

H. de POUEY,
Agent.
Hongkong, November 1, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr ARTHUR CHART in our Firm Ceased on the 31st December last.

J. INGLIS & Co.
Hongkong, June 18, 1878. de13

NOTICE.

MR. JAMES LIDDERDALE SCOTT is authorised to Sign our Firm "per Procuration."

BIRLEY, WORTHINGTON & Co.
Shanghai, December 2, 1878. de14

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned in the *Chinese Mail*, 循環日報 (*Wah Tsze Yat Po*), Ceased from the 1st August, 1877, but Debts prior to that Date will be received and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Undersigned has Leased the *Chinese Mail* from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr Leong Yook Chun, as Translator and General Manager of the Newspaper, which under its new régime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM,
Lessee of the *Hongkong Chinese Mail.*
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

For Sale.

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(In Order to Effect Clearance of an Invoice.)

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In Good Condition, at the following Greatly Reduced Prices.

Per Case 1 Doz. Quarts, $13.
" " 2 " Pints, $14.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, November 13, 1878. de13

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Price: Five Dollars, or Two Dollars and a Half per Part.

To be had from Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs Kelly & Walsh, Shanghai.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

NOTICE.

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In Quantities to Suit Purchasers.
Apply at the GAS WORKS, West Point.

A. NEWTON,
Manager.
Hongkong, November 5, 1878. ja1

WASHING BOOKS.
(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, $1 each.

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GOODS RECEIVED on STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the Wharf, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co.,
Proprietors.
Hongkong, November 29, 1878. my29

E. HUTCHINGS begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he will be able to supply

BEEF, MUTTON, &c.,

from 1st October, and trusts that they may grant him their support.

Shop—Wellington Street, opposite the Cathedral.
Hongkong, September 20, 1878.

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IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue Houses, situate on Praya East:—

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SIX SPACIOUS ROOMS, with Corridors and Out-houses in the DWELLING HOUSE, to the Eastward of the Pier at Wanchai. These may be had in Apartments of Two or Three Rooms to suit convenience. Fine spacious Verandah looking on the Harbour. Immediate Possession.

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MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

TO LET.

THREE OFFICES, in Club Chambers. Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, November 28, 1878.

TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.

Apply to
TURNER & Co.
Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

Insurances.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to Grant Policies against FIRE on Buildings and on Goods to the extent of $50,000, at the usual Rates, subject to an Immediate Discount of 20 per cent.

Attention is invited to a considerable reduction in Premia for Life Insurance in China.

MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, August 12, 1878.

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(FIRE AND LIFE.)

Capital,—Two Millions Sterling.

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ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.
Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against *Fire* to the extent of $45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premia.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

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NOTICE.

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J. BRADLEE SMITH,
General Agent,
pro tem.
Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

Incorporated by Royal Charter of
His Majesty King George The First,
A. D. 1720.

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THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

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Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

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Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20 % allowed.

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Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointet Agents for the above Company ad Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports,

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JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

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GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 6, 1876.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h.*, near the Kowloong shore *k.*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c.*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	*Anchorage.*	*Captain.*	*Flag and Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Date of Arrival.*	*Consignees or Agents.*	*Destination.*	*Remarks.*
Steamers								
Amoy	4 c	Drewes	Brit. str.	814	Dec. 12	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Anadyr	5 c	Butler	Fch. str.	2441	Dec. 9	Messageries Maritimes	Marseilles, &c.	To-day
Arratoon Apcar	5 c	Mactavish	Brit. str.	1392	Dec. 7	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	17th, 3 p.m.
Asia	...	Djorup	Dan. str.	880	Dec. 4	Siemssen & Co.	Swatow	Ab'deen Dock
Atalanta	2 h	Petersen	Ger. str.	783	Dec. 9	Meyer & Co.	Hollow & Haiphong	15th inst.
Bombay	...		Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong	.....	Coa'tan Dock
China	5 c	Alderton	Brit. str.	1036	Dec. 2	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Malla
Clive	2 h	Prowse	Brit. str.	810	Dec. 8	Borneo Company, Limited		
Commonwealth	7 c	Smith	Brit. str.	1401	Dec. 3	Meyer & Co.	Singapore	
Danube	2 h	Clanchy	Brit. str.	564	Dec. 8	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	
Esmeralda	5 h	Cullen	Brit. str.	395	Dec. 12	Russell & Co.	Manilla	14th inst.
Fame	6 h	Stopani	Brit. str.	117	.....	H.K. & W'poa Dock Co.	.....	Tug Flying
Glenlyon	5 c	Wallace	Brit. str.	1373	Dec. 11	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Hakon Adelsten	5 c	Bergh	Norw. str.	1004	Nov. 28	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	S'pore and Penang	
Moray	5 h	Butcher	Brit. str.	1427	Dec. 6	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, Calcutta, &c.	17th, 3 p.m.
Namoa	5 h	Westoby	Brit. str.	862	Dec. 12	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Coast Ports	15th, daylight
Norna	3 k	.....	Brit. str.	606	June 28	Kwok Acheong		
Pernambuco	4 c	Hyde	Brit. str.	643	Dec. 10	Melchers & Co.	Saigon	16th inst.
Quarta	5 c	Haye	Ger. str.	731	Dec. 6	Soey Shing	Saigon	at daylight
Quinta	5 c	Wrang	Ger. str.	874	Dec. 6	Soey Shing	Saigon	
Sea Gull	1 c	Roberts	Amer. str.	48	July 18	W. H. Ray		
Somerset	4 c	Pockley	Brit. str.	1100	Dec. 11	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Australian Ports	
Tanais	5 c	Marcelle	Fch. str.	1735	Dec. 9	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	Mails
Yottung	2 h	Goggin	Brit. str.	286	Dec. 12	Kwok Acheong	Swatow	
Zamboanga	4 k	Arranguren	Span. str.	615	Dec. 12	Remedios & Co.		
Sailing Vessels								
Alma	7 c	Ohlsson	Swed. bqe.	332	Nov. 20	Meyer & Co.	London	
Alva	...	Souza	Port. sh.	631	Nov. 8	Brandao & Co.	Bombay	Ab'deen Dock
Amy Turner	2 k	Newell	Amer. bqe.	991	Nov. 10	Russell & Co.	New York	
Annie S. Hall	5 k	Nelson	Am.bktine.	455	Nov. 29	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Aristide	3 c	Lahaye	Fren. bqe.	399	Nov. 29	Carlowitz & Co.		
Black Watch	1 h	Kennish	Brit. bqe.	491	Dec. 6	Master		
Brema	3 c	Timpe	Ger. bqe.	396	Nov. 11	Wieler & Co.	Batavia & Samarang	
Bua Cao	1 h	Lange	Siam. bqe.	388	Nov. 20	Chinese		
Capella	2 c	Andersson	Swed. bqe.	307	Dec. 8	Captain		
Carnarvonshire	5 k	Fishwick	Brit. bqe.	388	Nov. 19	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Charité	2 c	Gautiere	Fch. bqe.	256	Nov. 22	Carlowitz & Co.		
Chengtoo	1 c	Bakie	Brit. 3m.sc.	304	Nov. 14	Borneo Co., Limited		
Chocola	4 c	Kennett	Brit. bqe.	284	Oct. 3	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Honolulu	
Christian	4 k	Kossow	Ger. sch.	250	Nov. 1	Wieler & Co.		
Christina	3 c	Capra	Nic.3.m.sc.	173	Dec. 2	J. J. dos Remedios & Co.		
Civiale	4 c	Nissen	Ger. bqe.	380	Nov. 20	Siemssen & Co.		
Coeran	8 h		Amer. sch.	168	July 18	W. H. Ray		
Coloma	4 c	Hall	Amer. bqe.	858	Nov. 15	Russell & Co.		
Commissary	7 h	Morison	Brit. sh.	900	Oct. 23	Meyer & Co.	London	
Condor	2 k	Steffens	Ger. bqe.	868	Nov. 22	Siemssen & Co.		
Connaught Ranger	7 c	Murphy	Brit. sh.	1753	Dec. 3	Melchers & Co.	Shanghai	
Cordouan	2 c	Bertaud	Fch. bqe.	459	Nov. 10	Carlowitz & Co.		
Craig Ard	7 c	Hawkins	Brit. bqe.	811	Nov. 24	Olyphant & Co.	Rangoon	
Crusader	7 c	Ingram	Amer. bqe.	669	Nov. 27	Butterfield & Swire	Callao	
Dartmouth	7 b	Robertson	Brit. bqe.	915	Aug. 6	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Demerara	
Delphin	3 k	Lilienthal	Ger. 3m. sc.	238	Nov. 19	Wieler & Co.	Quinhon	
Dirigo	3 c	Staples	Amer. bqe.	684	July 14	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Hamburg	
Don Quixote	4 k	King	Amer. sh.	1128	Sept. 24	Captain		
Earl of Devon	2 c	Beer	Brit. bqe.	441	Nov. 18	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Rangoon	
Elizabeth Childs	4 c	Lindbergh	Brit. bqe.	391	Nov. 9	Wieler & Co.		
Elizabeth Nicholson	3 c	Grierson	Brit. sh.	904	Oct. 17	Borneo Co., Limited		
Emilio V.	...	Merello	Ital. bqe.	724	Nov. 30	D. Musso & Co.	Nagasaki	Sands' Slip
Esperance	4 k	Guillon	Fch. bqe.	272	Dec. 2	Carlowitz & Co.		
Fanny	4 c	Gougon	Fch. bqe.	314	Nov. 9	Landstein & Co.		
Firth of Forth	7 c	Cowper	Brit. bqe.	880	Nov. 12	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Rangoon	
Fleetwing	3 c	Guest	Amer. sh.	829	Oct. 17	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Flensborg	...	Jacobsen	Dan. bqe.	365	Nov. 22	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	.....	Ab'deen Dock
Florence Nightingale	4 k	McIntyre	Brit. bqe.	464	Dec. 2	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Fontenaye	4 k	Taylor	Brit. sh.	635	Oct. 10	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Franklin	2 c	Bruneau	Fch. bqe.	553	Nov. 22	Carlowitz & Co.	Saigon	
Friederich	3 k	Bertelsen	Ger. 3m.sc.	293	Nov. 24	Wieler & Co.		
Gesine Brons	4 c	Trumbach	Ger. bqe.	402	Oct. 21	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Hali Columbia	...	Brereton	Amer. sch.	353	Nov. 19	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	.....	Coa'tan Dock
Hamburg	4 k	Kroge	Ger. bqe.	349	Nov. 29	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Bangkok	
Hansa	8 k	Deneken	Ger. bqe.	498	Nov. 12	Wieler & Co.	Touron	
Hattie N. Bangs	...	Bangs	Am. 3m. sc.	566	Dec. 1	Captain	.....	Coa'tan Dock
Hawthorn	3 c	Mead	Brit. bqe.	296	Dec. 2	Wieler & Co.		
Helene	4 c	Volguardsen	Ger. bqe.	372	Nov. 28	Wieler & Co.		
Hermine	4 c	Meyer	Ger. bqe.	350	Nov. 30	Chinese	Quinhon	Cleared
Highlander	4 k	Hutchinson	Amer. sh.	1852	June 19	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Hilda	2 c	Popp	Brit. bqe.	306	Nov. 24	Chinese	Nagasaki	
Holstein	4 k	Külper	Ger. 3m.sc.	281	Nov. 19	Eduard Schellhass & Co.		
Hotspur	4 k	Shaw	Brit. bqe.	522	Sept. 3	Rozario & Co.	M'bourne & Dunedin	
Hylton Castle	4 c	Scott	Brit. bqe.	548	Nov. 23	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Touron	
Invincible	8 c	Strickland	Amer. sh.	1450	Dec. 6	Meyer & Co.		
J. H. Ingersoll	7 c	Daw	Amer. bqe.	609	Nov. 24	Butterfield & Swire		
Janet	2 c	Henfrey	Brit. 3m.sc.	211	Nov. 22	Birley & Co.	Singapore	
Johann Friedrich	...	Krincke	Ger. bg.	242	Nov. 24	Wieler & Co.	Nagasaki	K'loon Dock
Johann Smidt	3 k	Bosche	Ger. bqe.	433	Nov. 7	Melchers & Co.		
John Potts	4 c	McPherson	Brit. bqe.	374	Nov. 29	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Leucadia	7 c	Mearns	Brit. sh.	896	Sept. 19	Adamson, Bell & Co.		
Louisa	3 k	Shierloh	Ger. 3m. sc.	245	Oct. 17	Eduard Schellhass & Co.	Haiphong	
Lulu	...	Maher	Brit. 3m.sc.	378	Nov. 24	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Foochow	K'loon Dock
Manila II.	3 c	Gohner	Ger. bqe.	511	Nov. 20	Wm. Pustau & Co.		
Marco Polo	5 k	Breckwoldt	Ger. bqe.	358	Nov. 29	Wieler & Co.		
Maria Louise	7 c	Noury	Fch. bqe.	425	Dec. 2	Carlowitz & Co.		
Matchless	7 c	Dawes	Amer. sh.	1165	Nov. 10	Meyer & Co.		
Melbrek	...	Pierce	Brit. bqe.	870	Nov. 2	Meyer & Co.	Manila	Wanchai Pier
Melrose	4 k	Plumer	Amer. sh.	994	Sept. 19	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Mercury	8 c	Thomas	Brit. 3m.sc.	361	Dec. 1	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London	
Min-y-don	7 c	Leslie	Brit. sh.	1103	Sept. 8	Russell & Co.	San Francisco	
Moneta	7 c	Bisset	Brit. bqe.	621	Aug. 1	Russell & Co.	New York	
Morning Star	1 h	Michaelsen	Siam. bqe.	570	Dec. 10	Chinese		
Napier	...	Bryde	Brit. bqe.	1200	Nov. 10	Messageries Maritimes	.....	Sands' Slip
Nardoo	2 c	Paul	Brit. bqe.	379	Nov. 15	Cheong Woo		
Niagara	3 c	Paulsen	Ger. bqe.	691	Oct. 11	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Nicolaus	...	Stölken	Ger. sch.	157	Oct. 10	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	.....	K'loon Dock
Paralos	2 c	Pasco	Fch. bqe.	342	Nov. 28	Carlowitz & Co.		
Phaeton	5 k	Scheel	Brit. bqe.	576	Dec. 11	Chinese		
Rossetta McNeil	4 c	Brown	Amer. bqe.	611	Dec. 10	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
S. R. Bearce	3 c	Oakes	Amer. bqe.	607	Dec. 10	Russell & Co.	New York	
Sophie	4 k	Binge	Ger. bg.	210	Nov. 20	Wieler & Co.	Touron	
Spartan	1 h	Vincent	Amer. sch.	100	Sept. 23	W. H. Ray		
Ste. Adresse	2 c	Leroy	Fch. bqe.	590	Nov. 24	Carlowitz & Co.		
Sumatra	3 k	Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sept. 5	Russell & Co.		
Taiwan	4 k	Jessen	Ger. bqe.	373	Nov. 22	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Amoy	
Tartar	4 k	Kaemena	Ger. bg.	256	Oct. 31	Melchers & Co.		
The Goolwa	3 c	Torkilson	Brit. bqe.	717	Nov. 6	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Rangoon	
Theresa & Nelly	1 h	Garceau	Fch. bqe.	353	Nov. 15	Carlowitz & Co.		
Varuna	3 h	Sachau	Ger. bqe.	486	Oct. 11	Wieler & Co.	Singapore	
Verona	3 k	Bartlett	Brit. bqe.	668	Oct. 24	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Vesta	4 k	Dirks	Ger. bqe.	308	Oct. 2	Melchers & Co.		
CANTON								
Lee Yuen		Tisdale	Chi. str.	734	Dec. 11	C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	
Ningpo		Cass	Brit. str.	761	Dec. 12	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	

Men-of-war in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	*Anchorage.*	*Flag.*	*Class.*	*Tons.*	*Guns.*	*H. P.*	*Date of Arrival.*	*Commander.*
Magpie	6 c	British	gun vessel	774	3	160	Nov. 4	W. M. Lang
Marques del Duero	K.D.	Spanish	transport	850	...	.....	Nov. 7	Guillaume Lobé
Mecanee	6 k	British	military hospital	2591	...	.....	.....	.....
Mosquito	7 h	British	gunboat	430	4	50	Nov. 22	Lt.-Com. G. A. Grey
Patino	6 c	Spanish	transport	1200	...	.....	Dec. 10	M. Torres
Tejo	6 c	Portug.	gun vessel	400	2	100	Dec. 9	Lieut.-comr. Rio
Victor Emanuel	6 c	British	Commodore's flag-ship	3037	20	.....	.....	Commodore Watson
Vigilant	6 h	British	despatch vessel	856	2	250	Nov. 18	William M. Annesley

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